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exertions made for their release will be effectual. Two other vessels with passengers from Belfast for America, have been seized by British cruisers, and carried into Lough Swilly, for having more passengers on board than is allowed by act of parliament.

Exchange on London has kept in Belfast through this month nearly stationary at  $9\frac{1}{2}$  to  $9\frac{3}{4}$  per cent. The discount on bank-notes fell about the beginning of the month, and has since fluctuated from  $6\frac{1}{2}$  to 8 per ct. and is again up to 9 per ct. Owing to the demand from England being slackened, probably from the uncertainty till it is seen how Earl Stanhope's bill will operate, little business has been done this month in guineas: but as Belfast will be likely to become the chief, if not the only open market for this species of traffic, the discount may be expected to rise considerably, so long as a difference of nearly 30 per cent. exists between gold in coin and in bullion. This difference may be fairly taken as the real measure of depreciation on bank-paper, for such would be the difference, if competition unrestrained by law were allowed between guineas and bank notes.

### NATURALIST'S REPORT.

*From June 20, till July 20.*

- 22 June...Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea Scabiosa*) flowering...Speckled winged stinging fly, or Cleg, (*Tabanus pluvialis*) appearing.  
 23...Common Elder (*Sambucus nigra*) flowering.  
 26...Sea-sand Wort (*Arenaria marina*) flowering.  
 27...White field-rose (*Rosa Arvensis*), Broadleaved Bell Flower (*Campanula latifolia*), Cabbage Rose (*Rosa centifolia*), Red Officinal Rose (*Rosa Gallica*), and common flax (*Linum usitatissimum*), flowering.  
 28...Common Orange-Lily (*Lilium bulbiferum*), and Meadow Sweet (*Spiraea Ulmaria*), flowering.  
 1 July...Flowering Rush (*Butomus umbellatus*), and Beautiful St. John's Wort (*Hypericum pulchrum*), flowering.  
 2...Creeping Cinquefoil (*Potentilla reptans*) flowering.  
 6...Yellow Ladies Bedstraw (*Gallium verum*) flowering.  
 8...Common Loosestrife (*Lysimachia vulgaris*) flowering.  
 9...Field Thistle (*Scirratula arvensis*) flowering.  
 10...Blue many-eyed Butterfly (*Papilio Argus*), and Great Dragon-fly (*Libellula grandis*), appearing.  
 13...Downy-leaved Spiraea (*Spiraea tomentosa*) flowering.  
 18...Currants (*Ribes rubrum* and *nigrum*), and also early smooth green gooseberries (*Ribes Uva crista*), becoming ripe.  
 20...Yellow Marsh Aspidel (*Narthecium ossifragum*) in flower.

### METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

*From the 20th June, till the 20th July.*

- June 21, 22,.....Fine days.  
 23,.....Light shower in the evening.  
 24,.....Showers and heavy rain.  
 25,.....Showery.  
 26, 30,.....Very fine.  
 July 1, 11,.....Fine days about Belfast, thunder, with heavy showers, about 14 or 15 miles to the westward.  
 12,.....Showers.  
 13,.....Fine.  
 14,.....Squally, with heavy showers.  
 15, 16,.....Rain at night.  
 17,.....Thunder and rain.  
 18,.....Wet and dry.